

Design Trends



Benjamin Moore's First Light (2102-70) is a soft, airy pink that flatters any space and plays well with other colors. (Photo courtesy of Benjamin Moore)

What's new for interiors in 2020

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As we near the end of 2019, it's natural to start to think about the new year, and, in fact, the new decade arriving in just a few weeks. With the start of a new year comes a slew of changes, from making personal wellness resolutions and working on improving relationships, to reaching for new career goals and updating the wardrobe. It is also the perfect time to refresh the interior of your home.

According to local designers, there are quite a few fun design trends on the horizon that will reflect a new attitude for your home in the coming year. Here's what the experts have to say.

Pastels and Jewel Tones

Informed by high fashion runways, pastels and jewel tones are the hues to keep an eye out for in 2020.

"The juxtaposition of

pastels and jewel tones seems to have been all the rage these last few seasons," said Kim Radovich whose eponymous firm offers a multitude of services, including space planning, consulting, custom furniture design, architectural detailing, Feng Shui and sustainable design.

Put it into action with the stroke of a paint brush. First Light, a soft, rosy blush color, is Benjamin Moore's color of the year.

Light and Creamy Whites

This winter and for the upcoming new year, freshen up your living space with light, creamy whites.

"Nothing is prettier or more striking than a stylish white sofa—always classic and absolutely stunning," said Nanette Baker, who specializes in creating functional, comfortable, contemporary spaces with an emphasis on



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colors, fabrics and materials. "Surround the sofa with a modern, trendsetting coffee table, mix in some classic glass side tables and a pair of gorgeous artisan quality ceramic table lamps, and your room is complete and beautiful."

Traditional with a Twist

Known for blending timeless elegance with modern sensibilities in her designs, Radovich predicts the popularity of traditional aesthetics for 2020.

"This happens every 10 years or so when the pendulum swings back," she said. "Now, however, most interiors have an element of surprise—so in a very traditional space you might find the modern twist of contemporary furnishings or a mixture of many different styles composed ever so cleverly."

Word to the wise: This design is hard to pull off. "This all works as long as

it's done with the curated eye and an understanding of the decorative arts kind of furniture genres—not something to be taken on by the novice decorator."

Odds and Ends

Americana is here to stay. Think: Palm Beach meets old Hollywood flair with statement-making palm leaf patterns and rattan wood furnishings.

"There's nothing more wonderful than thoughtfully curated collections of art or treasures one has collected from their travels," Radovich said.

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